

Purpose

On February 6, 2015, the Supreme Court of Canada struck down the law prohibiting physician-assisted death and gave Parliament one year to enact new legislation.

This conference will help participants establish a framework for thinking theologically and spiritually about physician-assisted death, while modelling ways to have this often highly emotional conversation charitably, in an atmosphere of safety and respect.

Keynote Speaker

The Rev. Canon Eric Beresford

Eric Beresford is currently Theologian in Residence at Trinity Anglican Church in Aurora Ontario. As an ethicist, Canon Beresford has worked in the areas of Environmental Ethics, Patenting and Ownership of Biological Materials, Medical Ethics, and Death and Dying. He has worked as Consultant for Ethics and Interfaith Relations for the Anglican Church of Canada and is chair of the Church's task force on physician-assisted dying

Workshops

Facing Suffering and Death Together: Becoming a Community of Hope - Patrick Franklin, PhD

Patrick is Assistant Professor of Theology and Ethics at Providence Theological Seminary. He is the author of *Being Human, Being Church: The Significance of Theological Anthropology for Ecclesiology* (UK: Paternoster, 2016), several articles in peer reviewed journals, and numerous blog posts at <https://patrickfranklin.wordpress.com/>.

Suffering: Job's Got Nothing on Me - Karen Toole

Karen is recently retired as Provincial Spiritual Care Coordinator with Manitoba Health. Before this she was a Spiritual Health Specialist at H.S.C. She has written a spirituality column for the Winnipeg Free Press and offered a weekly conversation, "Spirituality Speaking", on CBC. Her quest of ministry came through the pain of grief and loss. She believes deeply in the value of stories and in the reality of the body, mind, spirit connection.

Being Human: Telling the Whole Story – Dr. James Read & Dr. Aimee Patterson

James Read is Executive Director of The Salvation Army Ethics Centre, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Ethics at Booth University College, and a Senior Policy Analyst for The Salvation Army's International Social Justice Commission. **Aimee Patterson** is Christian Ethics Consultant at The Salvation Army Ethics Centre and Adjunct Professor at Booth University College. Aimee's research engages numerous areas of applied Christian ethics. She teaches courses in introductory Christian ethics and ethics in professional Christian ministry.

End of Life Conversations when a Person Wants to Die: a Pastoral Perspective – Glenn Horst

As the Coordinator of Spiritual Care at Riverview Health Centre from 1985 – 2007, Glen Horst provided spiritual support to patients, residents and families at the end of life. Since 2008 he has been a Spiritual Care Advisor with Canadian Virtual Hospice, a website providing end-of-life information and support.

SUFFERING and HOPE

Theological Reflection on Physician-Assisted Death

Friday, February 26, 7 – 9:30 pm and Saturday,
February 27, 9 am – 4:30 pm, 2016

Registration Form

Please Print
Name _____
Address _____
City _____
Prov. _____ Postal Code _____
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Workshops are offered concurrently and will be repeated in the afternoon. Please choose one workshop for each time slot.

A.M. (choose one)	P.M. (choose one)
Hope _____	Hope _____
Suffering _____	Suffering _____
Being Human _____	Being Human _____
Pastoral Issues _____	Pastoral Issues _____

Please indicate any special dietary needs:

Registration deadline: February 12, 2016
Registration limited to 150 participants

FEES

Registration fee: **\$50.00.**

Fee includes attendance at all sessions, a wine and cheese reception Friday evening, lunch and refreshment breaks on Saturday.

Cheques should be made out to:

St. Peter's Anglican Church

Please mail completed form with payment in full to:

**Anglican Lutheran Centre, 935 Nesbitt Bay,
Winnipeg, MB R3T 1W6**

Full refund available if cancellation received by February 19, 2016

Panel Contributors

For the panel discussion our workshop facilitators will be joined by:

Brenda Hearson, Clinical Nurse Specialist,
WRHA Palliative Care Program

Dr. Robin McClure, Palliative Care Physician,
WRHA, Palliative Care Program.

Conference Agenda

Friday, February 26, 2016 – St. Peter's

7:00 p.m. Plenary Address and reception

Saturday, February 27, 2015 – Montrose School

9:00 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Plenary Address
10:00 a.m. Break
10:30 a.m. Morning workshops
11:45 a.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. Afternoon workshops
2:00 p.m. Break – St. Peter's
2:30 p.m. Panel discussion
3:30 p.m. Summary Statement
4:00 p.m. Closing Worship

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